





ABOUT CURATOR

Aref Mohammadi is an acclaimed Journalist, filmmaker, film critic and TV producer within the Iranian communities outside Iran. He regularly provides editorials in Farsi print media.

Aref is the founder and CEO of the New Wave Artistic and

Cultural Group since 2004. Through this outlet he has been able to facilitate regular workshops, seminars and ongoing conversations about cinema in Iran and worldwide. As well, celebrating renown veteran and contemporary artists by holding tributes has been a signature initiative for the organization.

Aref's formal education rages from literature to filmmaking to social work and reflect on his broad base of principles, interests and expertise. Aref haolds a B.A. in Literature and a diploma in Community Social Service Work. He also was admitted an M.F.A. in Documentary Media Studies Program at Ryerson University.

In his native Iran, Aref worked as an assistant director on numerous stage productions, and movies. His work for cinema, stage and television expands from Iran to the international arena.

His popular interviews included many established cineastes such as Atom Egoyan, Abbas Kiarostami, Arsinee Khanjian, an Oscar nominee Shohreh Aghdash-Iou, Jafar Panahi, Majid Majidi, Bahman Ghobadi, Samira Makhmalbaf and two times Oscar winner Asghar Farhadi. In 2012, a selection of these interviews was published in a book: Iranian Cinema-Yesterday, Today.

He has utilized every opportunity to remain true to his passion by making the time and providing lectures, courses and programs Specifically about Iranian Cinema at many outlets including the U of T's Agora Philosophy Association, and universities of Toronto, Ryerson, Concordia, Guelph, Calgary and Ottawa.

Aref has been successful in making two short documentaries: The Bus-2005 is about the first female bus driver, and New Horizon-2009, which explored the life of the first female mechanic in Iran. Aref's latest Feature documentary is called A Survivor from Magadan which depicted a true story of Dr. Ata Safavi, an Iranian activist, whose life was ended by Stalin's death camps.

Aref's new documentary SONG of GOD about Iran's oldest tanbur player has been released in 2018.

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برای اولین بار نمایشگاه تاریخ سینهای ایران دریک نگاه

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در این پروژه کم نظیر بازدید کنندگان از نمایشگاه در یک تور کوتاه با تماشای پوسترها، عکس ها و توضیحات مختصر و مفید نصب شده بر دیوارها به روشی مینیمال و خلاصه شده با تاریخ سینمای ایران از آغاز تا انقلاب اسلامی آشنا خواهند شد. پخش سکانس های منتخب تاریخ سینمای ایران در حین تماشا، لحظات دلنشینی را برای بازدید کنندگان بوجود خواهد آورد.

این پروژه به زبان فارسی و انگلیسی طراحی شده که بازدیدکنندگان غیر فارسی زبان هم توسط توضیحات نوشته شده در کنار هر بخش میتوانند با دوره های مختلف سینمای ایران آشنا شوند.

In this unique project, for the first time at Tirgan Festival, audience will become familiar with the highlighted periods of the history of Iranian cinema from the beginning to the Islamic Revolution (1930- 1978) with a short stroll through installed posters, photos, and brief written descriptions. A curated selection of some of the best scenes and dialogues of memorable Iranian films can be watched during a visit of this exhibition.

Idea and Execution:

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